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BEISEKER NEWS

BEISEKER.—Mrs. John Meyer Jr. was admitted to hospital in Calgary where she underwent an operation.

A number of men from Beiseker attended the Liberal meeting in Rockford June 14. Harper Prowse was the chief speaker.

Frank Schmaltz purchased a new grey Plymouth from Dan Gramms recently.

Glenna Ternes, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ternes, had her tonsils removed in Calgary this past week.

Tony Schleppe of Acma met with a serious accident in Trochu when six feet of earth from the sewer ditch he was digging, caved in. He is in St. Mary's hospital in Trochu.

Raymond Schmaltz purchased a weed sprayer and has it at work on their farm south of town.

Lorne Bunyan has accepted a position with the C.P.R. at Banff for the summer months. Lorne says he will be glad to have his friends look him up when they are holidaying there.

The Jack and Frank Seizlers are leaving for a visit to Kelowna, B.C., in the near future.

Adam Velker spent the past week-end golfing at Banff.

The Gottlieb Berreth house has been moved onto its foundation. This house is located on the north end of town.

Godfrey Hein of Chilliwack, B.C. is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berreth of Beiseker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Levoile have as their guest the former's mother from Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Orford of Calgary are visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. E. Wegner.

Miss Viola Levoile has returned

Liberals Attend Drumheller Rally

BEISEKER.—Seven Beiseker cars complete with flags, banners and signs journeyed to Drumheller Thursday evening, June 16, to the meeting sponsored by the Drumheller Liberal Association.

They were joined by three cars from Calgary, one equipped with a loud speaker and another conveying Don McKay. Mr. McKay led the procession which upon reaching Drumheller sasheyed up and down the streets.

The meeting was well attended. The speakers were "Bill" McDonald, Liberal candidate for Bow River, Don McKay, candidate for Calgary East, and Mrs. Mary Dover, daughter of Jim Cross.

Besides the speeches, there was a short film on the life of St. Laurent, vocal selections and Bert Campbell and his ventriloquist dummy. A very enjoyable and instructive evening was spent.

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from Ontario. She will soon become the bride of Mr. J. Tutt, Swallow.

Mr. Adam Berreth is expecting a shipment of four Welsh horses from Wales soon. They are the first of their kind to be shipped directly from Wales to Alberta. He had hoped to have them in time for the Calgary Stampede but that is not likely to be possible.

Sam Lang's house has been moved into town.

M. A. Bettin after spending several days with his family has left for Saskatchewan and Manitoba. He expects to be gone for about two months.

Turner Valley Girl Wed at Camrose

CAMROSE.—Hydrangea and carnations decorated the United Church here for the recent wedding of Jessie Evelyn, daughter of Mrs. J. E. Capsey and the late Mr. J. P. Capsey, and Mr. George Donald Whitmore, son of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Whitmore of Drumheller.

The ceremony was performed by the bride's brother-in-law, Rev. T. M. Karpoff of Turner Valley, assisted by Rev. G. Rivers of Camrose.

Given in marriage by Mr. F. I. Batcheller, the bride wore a gown of white brocaded satin, styled with a net yoke and lily-point sleeves. She wore a triple strand of pearls with matching bracelet, gift from the groom, and carried a cascade bouquet of red roses and white gladioli. Her finger-tip veil was gathered softly to a coronet of Swanisoria.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Sally Capsey, who wore a daffodil yellow brocaded taffeta gown with a headdress of net and sweet peas. She carried a colonial bouquet of yellow roses and blue sweet peas.

Mr. Norman Wight attended the groom, and ushers were Mr. Derek Batcheller and Mr. Douglas Noden.

Music for the wedding was played by Mrs. Woodhams, and during the signing of the register Miss Mary Clark sang "I Love Thee."

A reception for 50 guests was held in the church parlors, where peonies and carnations decorated the room. Toast to the bride was proposed by Mr. Ralph Whitney.

Miss Clark sang "If I Could Tell You," accompanied by Mrs. Woodhams.

Leaving on a trip to Jasper,

Banff and Waterton Lakes, the bride wore a skipper blue gabardine suit with white accessories and red roses en corsage.

The couple will reside in Edmonton, where the groom will continue his medical course at the University in the fall.

Have You Heard...

The Regina orchestra that played for the dance Friday?

That June 27 is election day and that all red-blooded Canadians are expected to get out and vote?

That Nanton wouldn't allow the Lions to take the car to their Stampede. That's once the old adage "What is Nanton's loss is our gain" didn't exactly fit in?

That the Beiseker band is playing for the Irricana Sports Day?

That Stan and Barbara are being seen out a lot together. What's cooking?

That the final exams were set by some mean old thing that just simply asked all the questions no one thought he would?

That Marcus Hagel fell off the roof of his Dad's new house which is under construction?

That the Val Schmaltz' look quite cozy out motoring in their new Baby Austin. Just made to fit Vera?

That we had 47 inches of rain the beginning of last week?

Obituary

CHARLES WENDLAND

Funeral services were held in the Peace River Seventh Day Adventist Church for Mr. Charles Wendland on Monday, June 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendland came to Beiseker in 1911 and resided there until 1947 when they moved to Peace River. Mr. Wendland was active in community activities while here. He was at one time chairman of the Board of the Acme Mutual Telephones.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife; four sons, Arthur, John and George of Peace River, and Hugo of Beiseker; three daughters, Alma of Leduc, Helen of Peace River and Florence of West Haven, B.C.

Mr. Wendland passed away on Monday, June 6.

Imperial Oil Show

BEISEKER.—The Imperial Oil Co. held their show in the Beiseker and District Memorial hall on

Band Enters Calgary Stampede Parade Competition

BEISEKER.—The Beiseker Concert band has again entered the Calgary Stampede parade competition to be held on Monday, July 11. The band boys are working hard and have a few new members.

This year the band will feature four majorettes and a banner carrier.

Prizes are being offered for bands that are in top groups and last year our local band took fifth position.

If you are among those that see the parade, give them a good hand as they go by.

Two Men Injured In Collision

CROSSFIELD.—Two men were injured, one believed seriously, Friday in an automobile-truck collision at the bottom of a hill two miles west of Crossfield, Alta.

Most seriously injured was Edward Rochert, Calgary contractor, who suffered broken ribs, cuts and possible spinal injuries when his car collided with a truck driven by Ralph Fike, Crossfield farmer. Fike escaped with broken ribs and shock. Fike's sister Lillian, a passenger in his truck, escaped with minor bruises. Both men are in hospital in Calgary.

ROCHFORD BRIDGE NEWS

ROCHFORD BRIDGE.—Sunday, Rochford Bridge held a double header ball game. The results are as follows: In the game between Anselmo and Rochford Bridge, Anselmo won 7-6 on overtime. In the second game Blue Ridge defeated Anselmo 20-14.

More games such as these should be encouraged as they provide amusement for old, and give the young folk a chance to grasp the meaning of "team-work".

Tuesday, June 14. A good crowd was in attendance.

The prize winners of the draws were: Leo Hagel, 5 gals. of oil; Ray Hagel, 25 lbs. grease; Dan Gamms, livestock spray; Mrs. Magnus Miller, box of chocolates; Mrs. Wm. Dennis, box of chocolates; Miss Annie German, box of chocolates.

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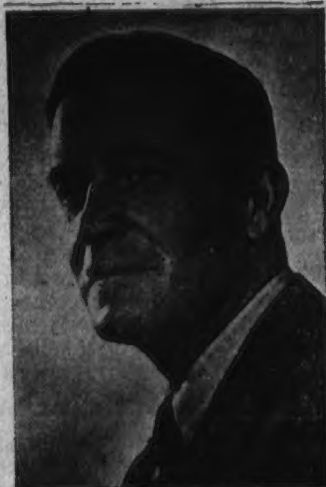
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THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

There's an old saying that goes something like this:
"You'll never appreciate home until you've been away from it."

We were reminded of this wise old cliché by a splendid article in the June issue of Coronet Magazine, now on sale at newsstands everywhere.

The article is titled "The 20th Century Belongs To Canada," and does everything but say that Canada is the best place in the world to live in.

It is the latest in the ever-increasing number of articles on Canada which have been appearing in U.S. publications during the past several months. Certainly it's an enthusiastic piece of writing, reviewing our mineral resources, our strategic position in North American defense, our continual growth and expansion, and generally making Canada seem like a near Utopia.

And we agree with Coronet, for we think that Canada is a darn fine place.

But one passage in the article caught our eye. It read, "The 20th century belongs to Canada. Canadians have never doubted it..."

That statement made us wonder how many Canadians fully appreciate the Dominion, how many of this country's citizens fully realize what a wonderful land it is, how many of us realize what the editors of Coronet have summed up in print.

We believe it deserves some thought, especially before June 27.

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GOOD NEWS

Considering the amount of loud talk which opposition political leaders have been spouting in the current election campaign about Canada's "unfavorable" trade situation, this week's news from the bureau of statistics will be cheering to all Canadians, perhaps with the exception of the above-mentioned political leaders.

The bureau announced that total exports for the first four months of this year are above the total for the same period last year. They increased from \$884 million last year to \$896 million to the end of April of this year.

Exports to the United Kingdom increased sharply during April, almost 50 per cent over April, 1948.

It is indeed heartening to hear such news, for much of our national prosperity depends on continued trading. High volume of exports goes hand in hand with good times, and it has been anything but encouraging during recent weeks to hear political party leaders continually hammering at what they called a decreasing trade volume—despite the reassurance of government cabinet ministers to the contrary.

But the bureau of statistics has announced that trade with the United Kingdom has increased, trade with the U.S. has increased trade with India and Pakistan has increased (from six million dollars in the first four months of 1948 to 37 million in the first four months of this year).

The figures speak for themselves.

WHEN COLUMNIST EATS COLUMNIST

(From The Edmonton Bulletin)

Certain caustic comments have been made from time to time about the propensity of crows for eating crows.

Nothing much has been said, hitherto, about the infinitely more entertaining and probably more useful phenomenon of columnist eating columnist.

Yet that is precisely what is happening in the hurly-burly of American journalism where Columnist Drew Pearson has filed a \$250,000 libel suit against Columnist Westbrook Pegler.

Pegler, it seems, wrote certain comments on the alleged five suicide attempts of the late James V. Forrestal—an unkind and thoroughly useless revelation, even if it had been true.

Pegler then wrote certain comment about Drew Pearson. Hence the lawsuit.

Pearson, it will be recalled, is the gentleman to whom President Truman lately referred cryptically as a "s.o.b."

We have not been informed what Pegler called Pearson. But if the term "s.o.b." failed to injure Pearson's feelings to the extent of not even a dollar and if Pegler's remarks hurt him \$250,000 worth, the Pegler castigation must have been something extra sizzling.

It must have been, at least, 250,000 times worse than "s.o.b."

In United States journalism, the emergence of snoop, brow-beating quarrelsome and sometimes pontifical columnists as the chief molders of public opinion cannot be called an entirely wholesome development.

And just as millions of people in this continent applauded President Truman's sentiments, while deploring his language, so will millions of people be glad to hold the coats of either or both contestants in the present legal battle.

May the best man, if any, win.

OIL INDUSTRY BRINGS 43,000 WORKERS TO ALTA.

Further evidence that Alberta's oil industry has put the province on its feet was revealed by Lewis White, of Imperial Oil's marketing department, at an Edmonton banquet last week.

Since 1946, the oil industry had added or brought back 43,000 persons to Alberta, Mr. White told members of the Alberta Association of Municipal District Secretary-Treasurers.

Last year, the speaker said, 32 new industries, worth \$30,000,000, and employing 1,200 persons were established in Alberta.

With conservation methods and modern techniques, present oil pools should keep the Alberta oil industry going for a century, he predicted.

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Canada may be getting an 11th province.

George Murray of Fort St. John, and Liberal candidate for Cariboo riding, said in Edmonton last week-end that there is some talk in the Peace River country of the district forming a separate province.

Mr. Murray, who is publisher of the Alaska Highway News at Fort St. John and the Lillooet-Bridge River News at Lillooet, B.C., said his constituency is a "forgotten" area.

He said that Peace River district may secede from British Columbia and join Alberta unless the Pacific Great Eastern Railway is extended north into the area. The idea of forming an 11th province is an alternative to joining Alberta, he stated.



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Former German War Prisoners Hope To Return To Canada

Newspapers Receiving Scores Of Letters Asking Assistance
LETHBRIDGE. — Former Ger-

man prisoners of war, although kept under constant guard while held captive in Canada, studied and learned enough about the Canadian way of life to still cherish hopes of returning to this country.

Ever since the German prisoners were evacuated to England for subsequent return to their native land two or three years ago, scores of those once held in the large prisoner-of-war camp here have written to district newspapers expressing a keen desire to return to Canada.

Many of the writers of these letters request assistance in some form or other that will enable them to return here. All are of the opinion that Canada is a great country.

Typical of the letters sent from Germany was one from Erwin Schiborr of Kirchweyhel, Uelzen.

"My mind has grown up in the opinion that Canada is a country of real freedom," he writes. "Freedom which we never knew in Europe but for which millions of people are looking for."

Schiborr, who claims to be 26 years old, in good health and experienced in farm work, writes in clear English that he has been trying for two years to get permission to emigrate to Canada but that up to the present, he has been unsuccessful.

"The only way to get it," he says, "is if anyone in Canada should apply for my person."

Dr. Young To Head Lamont Hospital

Dr. M. A. R. Young of Lamont will succeed the late Dr. A. E. Archer as superintendent of the Lamont hospital, it was announced by Mr. N. V. Buchanan, chairman of the hospitals board, at the close of the 25th annual Alberta conference of the United Church of Canada at Calgary.

The new wings of the hospital, to be opened in October, will cost \$250,000 when completely equipped, the meeting was told. This is \$100,000 more than originally estimated.

The 26th annual Alberta conference of the United Church will be held at McDougall United Church in Edmonton next year, it was announced.

'Hat Rejects Commission

MEDICINE HAT. — A proposed new form of Commission Government for Medicine Hat failed to win approval of ratepayers by the narrow margin of 23 votes.

By-law vote was 363 for commission and 216 against, with a two-thirds vote of 386 required.

Five other by-laws on municipal ballot involving a collective expenditure of \$250,000, all carried by substantial majorities.

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WHEAT BOARD MISREPRESENTED IS CLAIM OF HARPER PROWSE

GRANDE PRAIRIE. — Facts about the Canadian Wheat Board have been deliberately and in a most vicious fashion, misrepresented to the public by the Winnipeg grain exchange, J. Harper Prowse, M.L.A., and provincial Liberal leader, charged in a public address here. All the grain exchange men want is a speculative profit, which is denied them by the wheat board, he declared, and added no one but the farmer gets that speculative profit due to the policy of the Liberal government, the speaker said.

For the first time in history, Canadian farmers know the price they will receive for their wheat in the fall, as soon as it is sown in the spring, Mr. Prowse said.

They are receiving four times as much money now as in 1939 because the wheat board handled their surplus during the war years, instead of dumping it into the open market. He denied that the American farmer received more on the overall average than the Canadian farmer, citing 42 cents duty on Canadian wheat, the British market at \$2 a bushel, and bonus payments as they accrued.

"A vote for the Liberal party is a vote to keep the wheat board working for you," he said.

Canadian farmers' net income in 1948 is \$1,470,000,000 as compared with \$461,000,000 in 1939 and \$271,000,000 in 1933. But for the wheat board the grain exchange would have been able to buy all Canadian wheat for 80 cents a bushel during the war years of 1941-44. "The Progressive Conservatives and the Social Crediters are trying to make an issue of the wheat board," Mr. Prowse said, by giving misleading information.

Liberals are prepared to be judged on their record, which includes the family allowance, the speaker said. He scored the inference given by some Social Credit speakers that the family allowance was a Social Credit dividend given by Alberta because cheques were mailed from Edmonton. Through the Liberal government at Ottawa, mothers in the Peace River country have received \$4,500,000, or \$104,000 monthly, since 1945.

Actually, he said, the prairie provinces supply only 10 per cent of the taxes but receive 20 per cent of the amount paid out in family allowances.

C. B. Carignan, of Fairview, Liberal candidate for the Peace River constituency, also addressed the meeting. He stressed his belief in the Peace River country where he lived for 30 years and his hope that, if elected, he would be able to help toward its development.

The Liberal party is the only one which does not take orders from the top, he said. He described the veteran rehabilitation care in Canada as the best in the world. The prairie farm rehabilitation scheme and old age pensions, had done a great deal to help people in need. He reminded his audience that 75

per cent of old age pensions came from Ottawa and that it was B.C. and not Alberta which led in such social service measures.

Farm Schools Set Fall Opening Dates

Opening of the fall term at the Olds and Vermilion schools of agriculture on Oct. 25 have already drawn an enrollment of 180. R. M. Putnam, assistant deputy minister of agriculture and superintendent of agricultural schools, said Thursday.

The official said at Olds, 155 students have made application while registrations at Vermilion have reached 25.

Those wishing to enroll for the fall term a either school should file their applications with the principal of either school immediately, said Mr. Putnam.

Students will be notified by the end of July whether their applications have been accepted.

CASTOR HIGHWAY TO BE GRAVELLED 17 MILES NORTH

Gravelled highway will be completed this year from the town of Castor north for a distance of 17 miles, Hon. D. B. MacMillan, minister of public works said recently.

Delegation including 140 residents of the Castor district was informed of the government decision to build the road recently.

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CANADAIR DIRECTORS

(From the Winnipeg Free Press)
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But Mr. Drew then goes on to say—and this is the remarkable feature — that, "having completed the details of this transaction with the Electric Boat Company, Mr. Howe then persuaded some outstanding and highly reputable Canadian business men to go on the board of Canadair, along with the representatives of the Electric Boat Company. They were impressed with the fact that this was a public duty. I am certain that the Canadian directors whose names appear on the present list of directors of Canadair Ltd. are wholly unaware of the background of this transaction and of the history of the Electric Boat Company."

In a word, Mr. Drew says that Mr. Howe duped these men into undertaking public responsibility for a company brought into existence in a most improper way.

The names of most of these directors have already been published. That they are "highly reputable business men" will not be questioned by anybody. Not only are several of them among the industrial leaders of this country but most of them served with distinction in the war.

Among them are: Mr. Douglas W. Ambridge, C.B.E., B.Sc., one of the leading figures in the newsprint and paper industry and a director of large companies.

Mr. T. R. McLagan, O.B.E., general manager of the Canadian Vickers Ltd. and a director of such companies as Vickers Vulcan and the Montreal Dry Docks, Ltd.

Lt. Col. W. Eric Phillips, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., chairman of Argus Corporation, Rogers, Majestic, Standard Chemical Co., president of the Duplate of Canada, Fiberglass Canada Ltd., chairman of the Board of Directors of Toronto University and director of numerous leading companies. Others of national reputation could be cited.

Several of the directors already have issued statements contradicting Mr. Drew's assumption of their lack of knowledge of the company and repudiating his charges. Others have not yet done so but will doubtless be heard from in due course. Mr. Drew's charges, regardless of his effort to avoid doing so, bring their integrity or capacity into question.

In simple language, he suggests that they are either fools or knaves.

CITY MAY ADOPT NEW PAVING SCHEME

Edmonton's residential areas may have a new deal on street paving if the recommendations of Dean R. M. Hardy, head of the University of Alberta's faculty of engineering, are carried out.

Submitted to Mayor Harry Ainlay and city commissioners for study is Dean Hardy's report recommending that 22 city blocks in residential districts be paved with non-concrete base asphalt.

By the new method asphalt

would be laid directly on a gravel surface instead of on a concrete base.

Advantages of the method: (1) at least \$1.90 per square yard could be saved by not using a concrete base (2) residential areas would be provided with hard-surfaced roads to reduce dust damage.

Recommendations will be studied by Acting Engineer James McDonald before it is presented to Council for further discussion.

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JOHN BRACKEN

DISCUSSES THE Progressive Conservative Policy —ON— GRAIN MARKETING

John Bracken Speaks:

There are six important facts that must be taken into account in determining what is the best marketing policy. They are as follows:

The first point to keep in mind is that the first Wheat Board had as its primary function the marketing of Canadian grain, in the best interest of the farmer.

The FIRST Wheat Board Act was passed in 1935. The first Wheat Board under the Act was in every respect a Board functioning in the best interest of the farmer. It was not an agency of the Government, or subject to Government dictation as to prices.

The SECOND important point to remember is that in 1947, by an Act of Parliament the present Liberal Government amended

the Wheat Board Act and made the Wheat Board an Agency of the Government, not an agency of the Producer.

The Government thus made the Wheat Board an agency, functioning not in the primary interest of the Producers, but rather one which had to carry out the Government's policy, even to selling the farmers' grain for less than the Wheat Board could have sold it.

The present Liberal Government thus provided that the Wheat Board was to become the agent of the Government, instead of continuing as it had been — the agent of the grain producers.

The actual amendments incorporated into the provisions of the Wheat Board Act, in order to make this change, read as follows: (I quote from the Statutory Amendment) —

"4 (2) The Board is for all purposes an agent of His Majesty in the right of Canada and its powers under this Act may be exercised by it only as an agency of His Majesty in the said right;

(3) The Board . . . shall possess the following powers: (j) To act as agents for or on behalf of any Minister or agent of His Majesty in right of Canada, in respect of any operations that it may be directed to carry out by the Governor in Council."

The effect of these provisions in practice was that the Wheat Board was changed from being an agency of the Wheat Producers, charged with the responsibility for getting the best possible prices, to an agency of the Government which could use it, and did use it, and may still use it, to sell the farmers' grain at less than the market price. In other words, the Liberal Government, in 1947, usurped the original power of the Wheat Board, which was to market the farmers' products in the farmers' interests, and it took power to make the Board carry out certain Government policies, which were not in the best interests of the farmers.

The THIRD fact to keep in mind is that the Government then proceeded to exercise its new powers and to use the Wheat Board, not in the interest of the primary producer, but in the interest of the Government itself. The Government having interfered with the Board's policies in 1946, forced the Board to deliver 600,000,000 bushels of the farmers' wheat to the British Government, over a four-year period, at an average of some 67c a bushel less than the Wheat Board got for the balance of the farmers' crops all those years. In other words, the Government, by this interference with the Wheat Board, lost to the farmers of Western Canada \$400,000,000.00 in that one big gamble with the farmers' grain.

In addition to this, the Government also forced the Wheat Board to sell scores of millions of bushels of wheat to millers for consumption in Canada at prices far below the prevailing prices. This meant further huge losses to Western Farmers.

The FOURTH point to remember is that in 1948 the Government passed an Act to force every farmer who grows oats and barley to sell these products through the Wheat Board only. In other words, it denied to every farmer the right to sell oats and barley in any other way. This Act was to be proclaimed after the three Western Provinces passed complementary legislation. This has now been done and after August 1st the growers of oats and barley in Western Canada will be forced to sell their oats and barley through the Wheat Board only.

The FIFTH point to keep in mind is that in 1948 the organized farmers of Western Canada, speaking through the Canadian Federation of Agriculture at its annual convention, urged that the Wheat Board be restored to its original function — that of operating primarily in the interests of grain producers. This request was expressed in a resolution, which reads as follows:

"That such legislation (re oats and barley) be based upon the principles that the Wheat Board shall be an agency, operat-

Millet Man's Mother Dies in Edmonton

EDMONTON — Mrs. Rebecca Reading, 64, of 10544 114th Street, Edmonton, died from a heart seizure while attending a circus with a son and daughter Thursday eve-

ning.

A doctor who was attending the performance, reported death was due to natural causes.

Mrs. Reading has been a resident of Alberta for 41 years. She came to Edmonton in 1946.

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ing primarily for the benefit and in the interests of grain producers."

The SIXTH fact to remember is that the above request of the organized producers was refused by the Government. The Board therefore still remains an agency of the Government and the Government insists that it remain so. The effect of this is two-fold: 1st, the Government has left its amending legislation on the Statute Books; and 2nd, in answer to a question in the House of Commons as to whether the Government intended to use the Board primarily in the interests of the producers, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Mr. Howe, answered in the negative. His words are to be found in Hansard, page 1421, under date of March 14th, 1949, as follows:

"It is obvious that the Government of Canada cannot give any undertaking that it will become responsible for the marketing of coarse grains, solely in the interests of the producer, and without regard to the interests of the consumer of these products."

In these two facts is found the official evidence of the Government's refusal to comply with the request of the organized farmers to have the Wheat Board restored to its original function as a producers' agency.

GRAIN MARKETING — POLICY FOR THE FUTURE

What, under all these circumstances, should be the marketing policies of the farmers of Western Canada for the days ahead? What, under all these circumstances, are the policies in which I believe? What, under all these circumstances are the stated policies of the Party of which I am a member? They may be stated, very briefly, and they ought to be understood by every grower of grain in Western Canada.

Our FIRST policy is to continue the Canadian Wheat Board as a permanent institution for the marketing of the farmers' grain crops.

Under no circumstances would the Board be disbanded by us. Our Party brought in this policy in the first place. Our Party has always favored its continuance, and it believes in it more today than ever before.

Our SECOND policy is to continue the fight to force the Government to make the Wheat Board an agency which operates in the interest of the farmers, rather than a Government Agency, which has sold, and may again sell, the farmers' grain at less than the Wheat Board can sell it for.

Government interference with the Wheat Board is the greatest danger the farmer has to face. Complete emancipation of the Board from Government dictatorship is essential to its success in the future.

Our THIRD policy in grain marketing is to leave entirely to the producers themselves the right to determine in what manner their grain shall be marketed. If the organized farmers, as a group, desire by a satisfactory majority, that coarse grains be continued under the Wheat Board, their wishes are to be respected and acceded to. If, after some experience with this plan, they desire to change it, they would have the right to do so.

Likewise, if the farmers desire to eliminate the futures market, it will be within their power to do so. In other words, the growers of grain in Western Canada may rest assured that the Progressive Conservative Party will not force upon them any type of marketing that the farmers themselves do not want or do not approve.

We believe in leaving to those who produce the nation's food the right to determine every aspect of the manner in which it shall be marketed.

These three principles are basic in our policy on grain marketing. These three principles I personally support. These three principles the Party of which I am a member supports. These three principles the organized farmers of Western Canada have requested. I know of no better long-term policy for the producers of grain in Western Canada.

In closing these remarks, let me give to every farmer my personal assurance that, these principles, which all grain growers will recognize as being in their interests, will continue to be our guide. They mark the most forward step ever taken in the emancipation of the farmer from outside interference in the marketing of his products.

These three policies leave the farmers, as a group, free from the domination of both Government and politicians who have sold, and may sell again, the farmers' grain at less than it is worth. These three policies remove the farmers from any undue domination by the Grain Trade, which many farmers feel has had too great a say as to how their grain should be marketed. These policies: Marketing without interference by Governments and Politicians, and without domination by the Grain Trade, should mark a long step forward in the farmers' marketing program.

The policies I have outlined, I do not need to point out, are in complete agreement with the principles discussed and approved at our National Convention of last October.

I trust these three policies will meet with the widespread support they deserve from all grain growers, wherever they may live in Western Canada.

Sincerely,

JOHN BRACKEN.

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Senator Appeals for Alberta Representation

JASPER, June 21.—Speaking to an audience of 250 electors of Jasper in Speros hall, Senator James A. McKinnon delivered a splendid address and appealed for support for J. A. Welbourn, Liberal candidate for Jasper-Edson. Mr. Welbourn also gave a short address, with an earnest, sincere promise of cooperation in all matters pertaining to the best interests of the constituency. Mr. Harry Hamilton, president of the Jasper Park Liberal Association was chairman of the meeting. Following are highlights of Senator McKinnon's address.

I cannot stress too strongly how terribly important it is, that this great province be properly and fully represented in the new parliament to be elected.

At no time in the history of Alberta has it been so vitally necessary that this province be represented, and well represented, in the ranks of federal government supporters and in the government itself.

Alberta, with its new and increasing importance, not only has a right to a full share in the shaping of national policy, it has an obligation and a responsibility to exercise that right.

Alberta for nearly thirty years has sent all too few government supporters to Ottawa. The great majority of our members of parliament from this province since 1921 have been on the side of criticism and opposition.

Criticism, in its place, is a good

and necessary thing but it is even better to be on the side of constructive action and progress.

In my opinion it would be nothing less than a calamity if Alberta as a leading province of Canada, should not be directly represented in the next federal cabinet, with strong private membership support.

For upwards of forty-five years I have been rather closely and actively connected with public affairs in this province. Today I can sincerely say that I am more than ever impressed with what Liberal policies have done, are doing and can continue to do for Alberta and for Canada.

If this province is to keep on expanding and prospering, as it should do, right conditions must prevail in Alberta, in Canada, and in the world. Alberta has wonderful natural resources but national and international conditions must remain favorable if these resources are to be properly developed.

If prosperity is to remain and grow, there must be a feeling of confidence in the nation. There must be a sense of international security as well. It is difficult to have that sense of confidence without stability and proper leadership in the nation government and in world affairs.

Above all else, I believe there are three main conditions desired by most Canadians. These are peace, both internationally and within our own country, opportunity for useful work, and thirdly,

security.

Canadians want also a government upon which they can depend for continuance of those basic conditions, a government stable in that sense but also progressive in its outlook, forward looking in its policies, and vigorous in its actions.

Now, I ask you, in all conscience what party has in the past, is ready today, and is most likely in the future to fill these requirements

The Liberal party has given leadership in the international field to bring about the maximum degree of peaceful world conditions. It was our own prime minister, Louis St. Laurent, who first broached the idea of a North Atlantic Security Pact. Today this treaty is in active existence, a strong bulwark, if not the strongest of our national safety.

Every Liberal and I think I can say almost everyone I know is agreed that we could not have chosen a more able successor to former Prime Minister Mackenzie King than Louis St. Laurent.

There is in Canada, no finer man, no wiser statesman, no more honest and decent Canadian, than the man who is the leader of our party.

He did not seek power. He accepted the leadership as a public responsibility and public trust.

How about peaceful conditions and national unity within Canada itself? No political party, other than the Liberal party, could have brought this nation—with all its different elements—through the last world-shaking war—and the reconstruction period—with such a measure of real unity and lack of disturbance or internal strife.

The Liberal party is the only Canadian political party which has been able (at least in the last quarter century) to command substantial support from all the main sections of Canada from coast to coast.

In order to form an effective government with a working majority it is necessary that the administration be truly national. It should not represent only one class of people or only certain special interests.

Liberals are proud of their record of administration and service. But there is as well, as there must always be in election campaigns, a platform of future action and undertakings.

The Liberal party stated in 1945 that Liberal policies would create post-war opportunity for all which they have done. Actually today over five million Canadians are working gainfully.

In Canada the foundation of our prosperity is foreign trade. Canadian exports are up more than 300 per cent over 1939. By 1947 Canada had become the third largest trading nation in the world. Her total 1948 trade was greater in value than that of the United States before the last war.

What about the Liberal party performance in regard to social security measures? We promised in 1945 to issue monthly family allowances to parents for healthier, better clothed, better housed and better educated young Canadians—our finest national assets.

Since the last general election 1,700,000 families have benefitted from these allowances.

What about federal government promises in connection with returned war veterans? I think that those who were in the armed services will concede that nowhere else in the world have there been better legislative measures for veterans than those contained in the Veterans Charter of this country.

What is the record in regard to reduced taxation? The promise in 1945 was that the Liberal government would gradually reduce taxation after the war was won.

Taxation has been steadily re-

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duced since 1945. These reductions, spread over five successive budgets, now total thirteen hundred million dollars a year. At the same time the Liberal administration reduced the net national debt by sixteen hundred and twenty-five million dollars. In addition the federal gasoline tax, amusements tax, and a number of other specific taxes have been abolished.

The entire record of the Liberal party performance and achievement is much greater than I have been able to indicate in the course of these remarks.

There are a number of other important items of our program with which I wish I had the time to deal.

Because of federal Liberal farm policy, the Canadian farmer is definitely in a better financial position today than ever before. It is true that his costs of production have risen but prices for his products have risen also and to a greater relative extent. This is especially true of Alberta farmers.

Actually, the stability in farm prices generally, which had long been the hope and dream of Canadian farmers, has been achieved by Liberal policies and administration. The various food contracts between the Canadian and British governments over the past ten years have been an extremely important factor in bringing about greater security and stability for the farmer in this province and in this country.

I wish to conclude by repeating what I tried to stress at the beginning of my remarks. I mean the supreme importance to Albertans of seeing to it on June 27th that this province has an influential voice in parliament during the next four or five years. These coming years will be crucial years for the development of this part of Canada, including our national park areas. All Albertans, but particularly you in this part of the province should shade in the prosperity created and increased by Liberal policies of development and expansion.

My very best political judgment, based on some little experience and on the strength of all the reports I have received during this campaign convince me that the Liberal party will not only be returned to office at Ottawa under Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, the Liberal government will be returned with a clear working majority over all opposition groups combined. Therefore I want to urge you to send Jack Welbourn to Ottawa to represent this riding and to help represent Alberta properly where and when national issues are being decided.

In Mr. Welbourn you have a man who knows this constituency from one end to the other, as few know it. He is a man of deep Liberal

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convictions. He has the sound outlook of a practical, reasonable man. He is the type of representative who can make a very useful contribution at Ottawa in the interests of Jasper-Edson and of the country generally.

I am confident that the people of this riding, after too many years in the wilderness of opposition, will decide enthusiastically on June 27th to be on the right side for a change and decisively elect the Liberal candidate Mr. Welbourn.



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ALBERTA OIL WORRIES U.S.

Some U.S. Oil Firms Fear Influx Of Canadian Oil

To Albertans living right in the midst of a new, booming oil industry it is difficult to fathom what outsiders think about the West's rich oil strike.

This week, reports from the U.S. showed that the discovery of new oil supplies was getting a mixed reception by Americans.

One report from Washington revealed that U.S. oil interests are working hard to ban or sharply cut down oil imports into their home markets.

According to U.S. reports, American producers are worried over the future growth of Canada's oil fields. One oil executive said he saw the time when Canadian production will be equal to her demands and the dominion will be looking for outlets in the U.S.

"Safety of the country would be threatened if imports were allowed to cut heavily into the home market," warned Oklahoma's Senator Elmer Thomas.

LIMIT IMPORTS

Amendment to trade agreements to limit imports to five per cent of home requirements has been suggested by the senator.

A gloomy future was predicted by the New York Times who stated "world oil markets, which have been in the hands of the U.S. since the inception of the industry, definitely are passing to British interests."

The opposite view was aired by U.S. Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer speaking to delegates at the Canadian Manufacturers Association conference in New Brunswick.

Secretary Sawyer saw the need for new fields to supply increasing U.S. demands for oil.

OPTIMISM

Although Sawyer warned that "we cannot predict with any certainty what this new discovery will mean to . . . economic relationships (between Canada and the U.S.)," he was optimistic about the future of oil supplies.

"Fortunately," he said "the new fields in Alberta appear to be very rich, possibly as rich as our own fields in West Texas."

As U.S. demands for oil increased Mr. Sawyer saw the day when "Alberta oil will be shipped through the Great Lakes . . . to eastern Canada and to the east coast of the U.S."

Pointing out the advantages of the new discoveries, Secretary Sawyer said ". . . It may mean that Canada will not long have to worry about deficit in her balance of payments with the U.S."

SASKATCHEWAN OIL

While Americans chose sides in the Canadian oil controversy, news from Regina indicated that Saskatchewan may eventually produce more oil than the Leduc field in Alberta.

A Texas oilman who came up to Regina to buy oil leases told newsmen the whole of southern Saskatchewan is prospective oil country. He said the region was similar to western Texas which produces some 2,500,000 barrels of oil per day.

With the fields already in operation and vast new oil areas seen for the future, Canada's oil industry looked as if it was on the way to the top as the nation's key industrial asset.

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New Legal Church Burned to Ground

LEGAL. — Fire early Friday destroyed the Roman Catholic Church here, causing loss of \$135,000. Legal is about 40 miles north of Edmonton.

Friday's blaze laid in ruins more than a year's efforts by the congregation since their church went up in flames nearly two years ago.

The second church building, destroyed Friday, also contained a community hall, in which the town's major functions were conducted, and included a kitchen and rectory rooms.

Approximately a year ago the residents of Legal purchased the structure at Penhold. It was formerly a hangar at the air training centre at Penhold and was moved

in sections from the south to Legal.

Residents of Legal and the congregation there had hauled, mostly by voluntary labor, the hangar structure to Legal in sections. It meant a haul of more than 100 miles.

Approximately six months were spent in rebuilding the structure which was to serve as both a church and a large recreation centre. Front of the former hangar had been revamped and prepared for a complete stucco job.

The church and hall was opened officially last Christmas.

Friday's blaze is reported to have broken out at about 2:00 a.m. and raged for more than two hours. Every available firefighter was called out but nothing could be done and the town's residents watched their hopes and efforts

more than a year go up in flames.

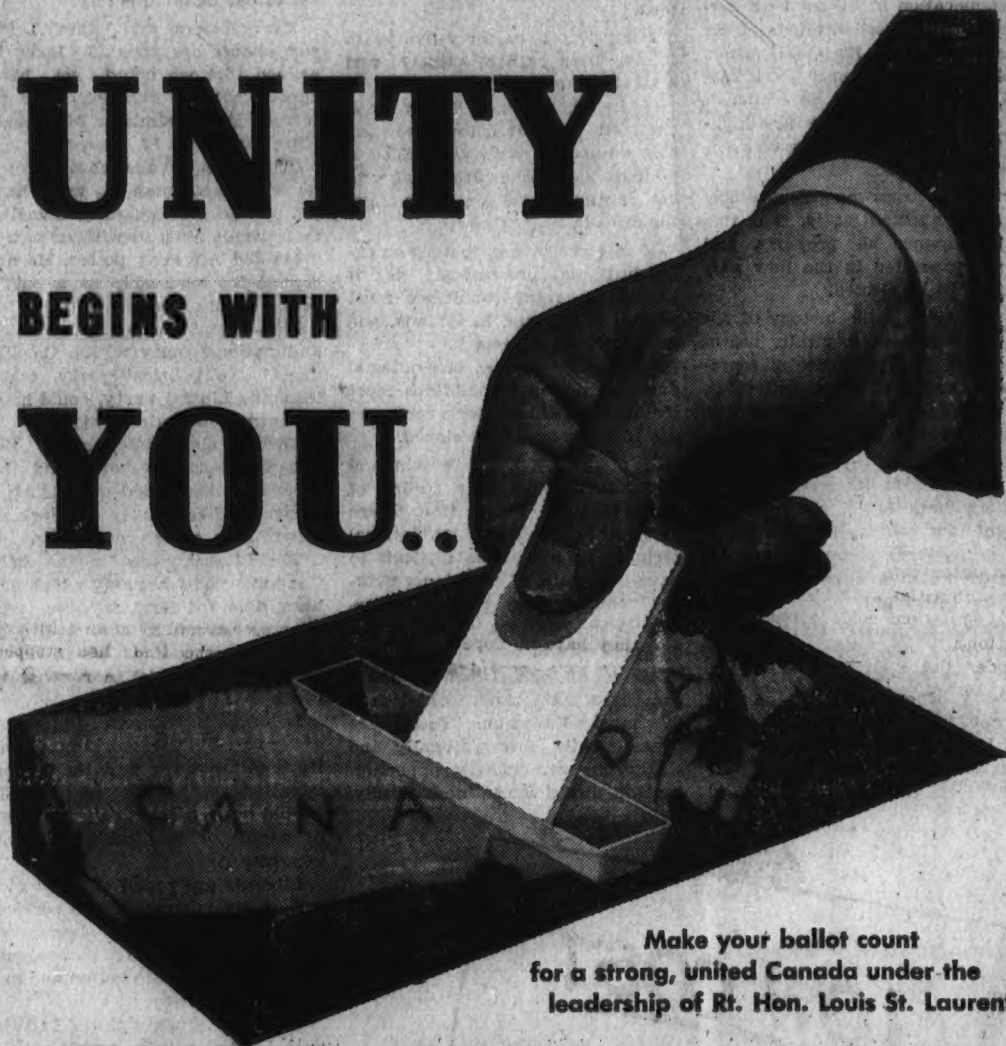
The church and recreation centre was one of the finest in central and northern Alberta.

The publisher of the Legal Record, T. W. Pue, wrote a descriptive article in the paper last winter in which he outlined the Legal church building and recreation centre as a model for other communities to follow.

Weddings Galore Around Spedden

SPEDDEN. — Weddings are in the news around Spedden these days. June 11, Katie Klimchuk was married to M. Kurila of Vilna. June 12 another wedding at Belia, and June 13 Mary Romanchuk was married to John Goruk, teacher of Sokal school.

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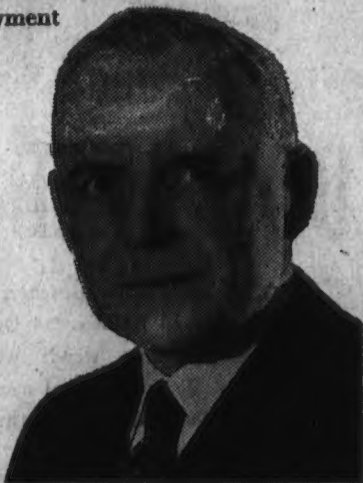
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NATIONAL SECURITY — The Atlantic Pact against aggression and war has the complete support of all Liberals. Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent was one of its first and strongest advocates. Canada stands united and ready, in cooperation with other democratic nations, to do her part in building peace and security.

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ACCORD GIVES CITY EXPANDED AIR SERVICES

Advantages to be gained in Western Canada from the new U. S.-Canadian air accord (signed June 4) became evident in Edmonton last week.

Western Air Lines officials announced a new service would be inaugurated from the western states to Edmonton as soon as Canadian Air Transport Board approval was obtained.

Western has served the Lethbridge area since 1940. The extension to Edmonton will add 285 miles to Western's route system, bringing its total route mileage to 4,898.

Decision of WAL to extend its services increases Edmonton's stature as the main junction for U.S.-Alaska-Orient traffic.

PROTEST

In the meantime in Washington the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board heard a powerful lobby group of senators and Colonial Airlines appeal against the Canada-U. S. agreement.

Colonial Airlines officials complained that the airline stands to lose \$1,000,000 a year as a result of a clause in the agreement establishing a directed Canadian route from Montreal to New York. The new route will parallel Colonial's New York-Montreal route.

During the committee hearing, it became evident that Canada had obtained the better part of the bargain.

Chairman Joseph O'Connell, of the Civil Aeronautics Board admitted that "Canada has been press-up a new air agreement."

LEVER

Canada has used incorporation of Newfoundland into the Dominion as a lever to get the air concessions, the hearing revealed.

When Newfoundland became a Canadian province, Canada had cancelled U.S. rights at the Newfoundland bases of Gander, Stephenville and Argentia.

During the closed-door negotiations Canada had used jurisdiction over Newfoundland fields as a bargaining lever to gain concessions from the United States.

But the fact remained that the new air accord opened a new phase in Canada-U.S. air transport.

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Water Restrictions Irk Eager City Gardeners

Every summer in recent years disgruntled Edmonton gardeners have tried to keep their lawns and gardens growing despite city water restrictions and low water pressure in hoses and pipes.

A network of puny-sized water mains and a sudden growth in water requirements to as much as 15,000,000 gallons a day during the summer months has resulted in water restrictions being enforced.

This year with an early and dry spring, water consumption jumped rapidly and in one day in May hit 17,000,000 gallons, before the usual summer restrictions were laid on.

In spite of restrictions which allowed watering from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. only, water pressure in some areas of the city was still not enough. On reason, explained one waterworks official was that 3,000 new lawns had been planted in Edmonton this spring.

With the swollen requirements of new lawns, new gardens, increased population, and evasion of restrictions the existing regulations were not enough.

Although most people complied with the law a few citizens who wanted lush gardens devised crafty means to evade water regulations.

WET PAPER BAG

One method observed in a South Side district was based on the use of a paper bag. The paper bag was put over the hose nozzle, the nozzle was laid on the ground and the water turned on. Water soaking through the paper bag was not visible to passers by.

As water consumption mounted civic authorities were forced to extend regulations and increase restrictions.

Under the system adopted this week, odd-numbered houses may water gardens on odd-numbered days while even-numbered houses use even-numbered days.

This system which requires a mathematical mind and a calendar does not apply to essential institutions (i.e., tennis courts, bowling greens) or industries such as market gardeners and nurseries (plant).

PERMANENT SOLUTION

People who want to putter in their gardens on week-ends and holidays will be allowed to do so. The restrictions are lifted each Saturday at 1 p.m. until Monday morning.

However, regulations which only permit half the city to use water for gardening every other day show the need for increased pumping and carrying facilities.

Sooner or later the civic authorities will be faced with the task of replacing larger mains and expanding water pumping facilities to supply a rapidly-growing community.

VOTE MACHINERY IS ALL READY

With the federal election less than three weeks away Canada's voting machinery is getting all oiled up ready to handle an expected 8,000,000 ballots.

Men in Canada's armed forces will be the first voters to go to the polls when special ballot boxes are opened for them June 20 to June 25. In Western Command 46 special voting places will be set up for peacetime forces throughout Canada's northwest.

Ballot boxes for servicemen will be located in an area covering the three prairie provinces and B.C., Yukon-MacKenzie and North West Territories.

NO VOTE

Canada's northernmost resi-

dents, the Eskimos, will not be able to vote in the June 27 elections, but some Indians are allowed to cast their ballots.

Eskimos are disqualified because they are wards of the Crown. Indians living on reservations are disqualified also unless they have served in the armed forces.

Candidates Enter Last Lap In Federal Election Race

Canada's 851 candidates for the federal election settled down last week for the final burst of campaigning before the polls open June 27.

In city and countryside candidates hustled from meeting to meeting, met party bigshots on flying tours, and sometimes drove all night between speeches.

Following is the newspaper's review of the week's highlights in election campaigning across the Dominion:

George Drew speaking to voters in Carman, Manitoba, told constituents: "Nothing could show the complete bankruptcy of the present government more clearly than the personal attacks (on me)."

Then Mr. Drew did some attacking of his own. Warned the Tory leader: The present government has nothing to offer except "suspicion, distrust, and malice in the years ahead."

Canada's communists (Labor Progressive Party), knowing full well they have no hope in the federal race, are concentrating their power in areas where they might have a chance.

In the Toronto riding of Trinity, the L.P.P. has imported party-line workers, put aside big funds (\$50,000 to \$80,000) to eke out a win for national leader Tim Buk.

Buck's chief bugbear will be Tory M.P., young Larry Skey, R. C. A. F. veteran, who is expected to give the Red boss a tough time in the election fight.

In the maritimes there hadn't been much doubt as to who would win the Nova Scotia provincial election on June 9-10.

Last week the 400,000 bluenose voters swept the Liberals back into power with 27 out of 37 seats. Other parties' standings: Tory 8, C.C.F. 2.

Heading the government is former federal navy minister 59-year-old Angus L. Macdonald who has led the Liberals to victory four times in the province.

Voluble George Drew set off a chain of fireworks last week with his charges that the Crown company "Canadair" (at Montreal) had sold its \$22,000,000 plant to the U.S. Electric Boat Co. (submarines) for some \$4,000,000.

Canadair's directors and Trade Minister C. D. Howe quickly lambasted Mr. Drew for his statements. Said Mr. Howe: the charges are "senseless and completely without foundation."

Directors of the company rose up in protest. Returned one director: "Mr. Drew either ignores the facts or is engaged in a deliberate attempt to malign the company to serve his own political interests."

Mike Pearson, external affairs minister, out campaigning in the west, had to draw on his knowledge of flying as a World War I pilot.

If an Indian does not live on a reservation he can vote the same as any other person.

New Canadians and displaced persons are not entitled to vote until they have been here five years and become Canadian citizens.

Other groups not allowed to vote make up a motley crew of bed-fellows. They are: judges, mental patients, returning officers, persons in detention and those convicted of corrupt or illegal practices.

C.C.F. leader M. J. Coldwell drew a perfect contract bridge hand

cornered battles shaping up among Tories, Liberals, C.C.F. and home-grown Socreds.

Biggest threat to the old Social Credit supremacy comes from the Liberals who have put up 17 candidates to contest all of Alberta's seats.

HOG CUTBACKS MAY THREATEN BACON CONTRACTS

One reason why Britain has preferred to buy Danish and European bacon instead of Canadian meat became evident to Albertans last week.

Hon. David A. Ure, Alberta minister of agriculture, told a Lions Club meeting in Edmonton, that it would be impossible for Canada to fill a bacon contract made with Britain this year.

The British contract calls for 150,000,000 pounds of bacon for Britain and Mr. Ure said he couldn't see how Canada could export even 100,000,000 pounds. Although 1948 hog production exceeded the value of oil and gas resources, it still would not be enough to fill the overseas contract.

Why had hog production dropped to only 25 per cent of the 1944 output in the first three months of 1949?

Alberta's Livestock Co-op's president H. W. Allen, came up with some opinions on the lowered production in a press statement last week. Mr. Allen blamed the lower hog production, partly on "buying abuses" by packing houses, and on unstable marketing and production methods.

According to Mr. Allen, confidence of producers in the grading system had been shaken by certain buying practices on the part of packers.

MAIN ABUSE

Main abuse in buying practices

While flying from Melfort to Regina, in a light plane, Mr. Pearson's pilot had to make some repairs. Pearson took over the aircraft, grimly flew it in circles until the pilot completed the repairs.

For the remainder of his Saskatchewan tour (to Saskatoon) Pearson took to terra firma and an automobile.

Ontario and Quebec will be the focal points in the last weeks of campaigning. Liberal officials announced that Prime Minister St. Laurent would wind up his personal campaign in Ontario and Quebec with one brief filing at Newfoundland.

Now recovered from an attack of laryngitis, the P.M. has stepped back into the whirl in rural Quebec.

Tory plans also call for a last-minute sweep of the east by leader George Drew, who is using the Canadair charges as his main political football.

Quebec Premier Maurice Duplessis' reactionary Union Nationale, which has thrown in its lot with the Tories, is going to attempt to cop 20 seats in Quebec, according to reports.

The Quebec race has developed into a smear campaign of the worst sort against the personal integrity of the P.M. Conservative-Union Nationale advertising in French has even tried to show that the P.M. is not a true French-Canadian.

But even with the personal backing of Premier Duplessis many observers feel French-Canadians still remember Sir Wilfred Laurier, and are not likely to vote against Prime Minister St. Laurent and the record of the Liberal government.

Elsewhere Mr. Coldwell continued to stump for socialized medicine and security plans. His talk of a depression in the offing was a virtual admission that the C.C.F. did not stand a chance of forming a government on June 27.

The depression talk meant that only in depression would the people of Canada turn to socialized control and planned economy. And as long as the present prosperity lasted the C.C.F. was still out in the cold.

Alberta's 17 seats in the House of Commons will have 65 candidates competing for them. In the province, Edmonton East appears to be shaping up as a rough-and-tumble battleground with six candidates contesting one seat.

In ten ridings there are four-

is the existence of "competitive areas" where a low-grade hog may be worth as much as a higher grade hog in another area, Mr. Allen claimed.

"If the packers insist on paying the same price for off-type and overweight butcher hogs in some districts that they pay for top grade bacon hogs in other districts, then there is no inducement for any producer to try to market top grade hogs . . .", he said.

Another alleged practice of bonusing truckers to bring hogs to particular packing plants was labelled as "reprehensible."

Said President Allen: there were two alternative solutions to the problem: (1) either packers get together and eliminate "packing abuses" or (2) producers seek legislation enabling them to set up a marketing board.

Driver Cleared In Road Death

Coroner's jury Tuesday attached no blame to Yvonne Longevin of Lac la Biche, driver of the car in which Mrs. Amelia Marcotte was killed June 1.

The six-man jury under direction of provincial coroner Dr. M. M. Cantor, came to their decision at an inquest in city police court.

It was decided that the 68-year-old Bawlf grandmother was crushed to death when the Longevin car overturned in a ditch one-half mile west of Glen Park on the Leduc-Calmair road.

Mrs. Marcotte died at 5 p.m., just an hour and a quarter after she had tried in vain to leap from the overturning car. She was pinned between the open door and the body of the new sedan.

The fatally injured woman died in the car of Dr. Haukin of Thorshy, en route to Leduc hospital. Dr. Haukin said she sustained chest injuries, a broken arm and severe shock.

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| (2) Do you think our savings banks should be kept free from political control? | — | — | (13) Are you pleased that our veterans received assistance worth \$1,360,000 between 1942 and 1949? | — | — |
| (3) Do you think that Western prosperity will suffer if George Drew wins the election on June 27? | — | — | (14) Do you think your representative can do more for you if he is in the government, rather than in the opposition? | — | — |
| (4) Do you favor giving our veterans the best our government can provide? | — | — | (15) Are you of the opinion that working people are more secure because Unemployment Insurance was started in 1940? | — | — |
| (5) Do you think the progressive people should unite under one national banner instead of being split into small groups and sections? | — | — | (16) Do you think it is a good thing that 276,000 houses have been built in Canada since 1945 and that nearly 100,000 more will be finished this year? | — | — |
| (6) Do you think the government is right in making health grants to the provinces under the National Health Plan? | — | — | (17) Do you think it would be unfortunate if the Liberals did not get a clear majority? | — | — |
| (7) Do you believe the only chance to beat George Drew (and his friend Duplessis) is to keep and strengthen our present government? | — | — | (18) Do you think it is a good idea for the people of Alberta to be represented in the House of Commons by citizens who support the Liberal government at Ottawa? | — | — |
| (8) Do you believe that the Marshall Plan and the Atlantic Pact will help to preserve peace? | — | — | (19) Do you approve of the Wheat Board marketing Western farmers' grain, thus removing it from the hands of speculators, and giving the farmer a firm price? | — | — |
| (9) Do you think it was a good idea to begin Old Age Pensions in 1927 and was the government wise in increasing the amount to \$40 per month this year? | — | — | (20) Do you think it is a good idea for YOU to vote for a man who will represent you in the government, rather than one who will do nothing to further the progressive work of the Liberal Government? | — | — |
| (10) Do you think that the children of your constituency have a better chance in life because their parents received nearly five million dollars under Family Allowances? | — | — | | | |
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Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor,
The Spotlight,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Sirs: My attention has been called to a letter of Robert Fair's entitled, "Report to the People," and published in several newspapers in the Battle River constituency.

In one part of the letter he is talking about those men who volunteered to serve in the war and he makes this statement: "THE FIRST TO VOLUNTEER WERE THE MEN WHO HAD BEEN ON THE BREAD LINE."

This is one of the most shameful and disgraceful statements I have ever heard a public man utter and is an insult to every boy who volunteered to serve his country, and to the parents of those boys. I myself have two sons who volunteered. The Liberal candidate for Battle River constituency had four brothers who volunteered. Those boys were not on the bread line. They volunteered from a sense of duty and from a wish to serve their country.

I know thousands of young men who volunteered for service and I do not know a single one who volunteered because he was on the bread line.

Down in the Vegreville constituency the Social Credit candidate, Anthony Hlynka, boasts that he helped deserters. I quote a statement from one of his advertisements: "At the end of the war and after he (Hlynka) demanded often with success pardon for deserters."

What kind of people are these whom we have sent to Ottawa to misrepresent and insult us?

Surely it is high time that we send men to Ottawa who have a proper respect for public duty, who understand the problems of this country and who will support a government which has given us wise leadership, progressive policies and has made Canada a great nation.

Yours very truly,

J. W. STAMBAUGH.

B-A Oil Plans Pipeline For Oil Production

The British American Oil Co., one of the largest buyers of crude oil in the Edmonton region, announced plans for the construction of a pipeline for internal gathering at the Redwater Sector of the Edmonton oilfield.

R. H. C. Harrison, Calgary, manager of the crude oil purchasing department, said the pipeline would be constructed to the railhead at Redwater. He declined to give an estimate on the construction costs.

Crews are reported to have completed surveying for the new pipeline and digging is expected to begin soon.

The B-A official said construction of the pipeline had "no significance" relative to the building of a British American refinery here. In recent months reports have been current that the B-A company is planning a refinery at Edmonton but officials of the company denied that such a move is being contemplated immediately.

B-A and the Hudson's Bay Oil and Gas Co. hold drilling rights on one and a quarter sections in the Redwater field. The team has 12 producers and two other wells drilling.

Mr. Harrison said further reports would be issued after work is begun on the pipeline.

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About 15,000 doctors attending the American Medical Association convention in Atlantic City next week will see demonstrations of the new color television.

Harold E. Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania, said that he was "tremendously impressed" after seeing color televised operations for the first time. He stated that he hoped that the University's new \$10,000,000 medical centre would include color television apparatus.

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French Laboratories, the color television equipment was developed by CBS, Zenith Radio Corporation, and Webster-Chicago Corp.

NORTH WILDLIFE HAS TEMPORARY HOUSING MENACE

Only a handful of humans have been made homeless by the spring forest fires in Northern Alberta, but thousands of forest-dwelling animals have lost their sources of food and shelter.

When forest fires strike, larger animals, such as deer, moose and bears, make their way to bush free from the flames. If their home areas are not burned out completely these larger animals usually return once the fires are put out.

Animals most likely to suffer from the fires are squirrels and weasels living in the forests. When flames sweep through the forests, the squirrels take to the tree tops and the weasels burrow into the roots. Intense heat causes heavy casualties among these animals both in the trees and under ground.

Beavers also will lose some sources of food by the burning out of vegetation along the water's edge. But with the exception of squirrels and weasels, Alberta's wildlife will not be seriously depleted by the fires.

ALBERTA PLANS 47 FIELD DAYS, PLOW MATCHES

Now that most farmers have their seeding done they'll be able to take time out to attend local plowing matches and field days.

The field days give farmers a chance to get out and look at their neighbors' stock, critically eye the plowing, and talk shop with their friends.

This spring 47 field days will be held in Alberta, most sponsored by the Alberta Department of Agriculture, from May 31st to June 30th.

Most of the field days will be based on plowing matches with 16 tillage competitions already arranged.

A swine field day will be held at the University Farm in Edmonton on Tuesday, June 14th.

Biggest plowing match will take place in the Edmonton area at the Oliver farm, north-east of the city, on Wednesday, June 8th. Nearly 6,000 spectators, contestants and tourists are expected to turn out for the first local match in eight years—if the weather holds.

Sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the match will feature more than \$500 in prizes. Plowing will take place on a 40-acre plot and tilling will take place on an 80-acre stubble field.

SPOTTED FEVER CARRIERS

Provincial government experts are going to look for carriers of ticks which are breeding grounds for the dreaded Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Investigations are under way in the Manyberries district near the U.S. border, where five persons have died from the fever in the past eight or nine years.

Although the fever is carried by ticks on plants, gophers and field mice are also believed to be common carriers of the disease. Scientists will trap the small field rodents and test them for evidence of the ticks or the disease.

MLAs To Get \$10 Per Day Pay

Provincial MLAs will get salaries of \$10 per day for the special session of the legislature which begins July 4 to discuss natural gas export.

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Special Session To Air Gas Export Question

The touchy problem of what to do about exporting Alberta's natural gas and oil will finally be aired in the legislature on July 4, Sacred Premier Ernest Manning revealed last week before he left for an east business trip.

Hints of a special session had been brought up during the regular legislature meets during the winter. (See Spotlight, May 28), but it was only last week that the date of the special session was announced.

The federal government, keenly aware of provincial rights, had left the decision on gas export in the hands of the provincial government following a visit of two Sacred

cabinet ministers to Ottawa.

Hon. Lucien Maynard, attorney-general, and Hon. N. E. Tanner, minister of lands, forests, mines and minerals, on returning to Edmonton reviewed the problem and submitted a report to government members on the special session.

DREW AND GAS

Even George Drew, PC leader, got a word in during his western fling. Said Mr. Drew, cagely: the PC's advocate "effective co-operation between the provincial and dominion governments" (on export policies).

In the meantime, government officials hinted three new bills on export policy would be brought up at the session. Beyond the hinting it wasn't known just what the government policy would be.

Before he left for down east, Premier Manning told newsmen the government stand would be made soon.

"The session is not being called to change the present policy of the government towards natural gas and export," Mr. Manning assured newsmen.

Relief In Sight For Overtaxed 'Phone System

Relief may be in sight for Alberta's over-taxed long distance telephone and communication lines.

Announcement last week that Alberta Government Telephones will install new lines between Calgary and Edmonton came as welcome news to businessmen and phone-users.

The increased volume of busi-

ness plus oil transactions has boosted long distance calls by 190 per cent since 1940 with an additional increase of 56 per cent since 1945.

Impatient phone-users have been waiting between 30 minutes to one hour while harried switchboard operators tried to clear lines to get their calls through. With nearly 1,100 messages a day going back and forth between the two cities the 21 lines in operation could not handle the service.

Complaints on long distance service caused the transportation committee of the Chamber of Commerce to launch an investigation into the phone setup.

But telephone officials were doing their best to clear the situation. In addition to new lines planned, phone officials said a new automatic toll board would be in operation by the first of next year.

LABOR RIGHTS GUARANTEED

Protests by Edmonton labor groups over unrestricted entry of U. S. oil workers to Alberta's oil fields got some results last week.

Following complaints voiced by the Canadian Legion and Trades and Labor Congress, federal employment officers quickly assured Albertans that Canadian oil workers will be "fully protected."

Protection of Canadian workers would probably be extended by tightening up of immigration regulations and restriction of U.S. workers to skilled jobs only.

Evidence that fears of Canadians being elbowed out of oil field jobs were unfounded came from the Western Canada Petroleum association last week.

In a survey of 28 companies drilling in Alberta, the association found that the companies were employing 95 per cent Canadian workers (total of 2,103 Canadians to only 105 Americans).

When oil crews first began to move into Alberta from the United States three years ago, they brought in full U.S. crews because they had not known the labor situation in Canada.

Since then, these firms have changed to Canadian crews except for a few specialists needed in highly skilled jobs.

EAGER BEAVERS

Hopes that Edmonton might have a sea monster were dashed last week. An excited citizen told police he thought he had seen a monster in the Saskatchewan river near the Dawson bridge.

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Oil Companies Continue Expansion Of Land Reserves

Although cut-backs and voluntary pro-rationing has slowed down production in some of northern Alberta's oilwell producers, the industry continues to expand.

Last week, more than 12,000 acres of Crown Reserve land was opened up for offers for petroleum and natural gas rights.

The 78 parcels of land are in the vicinity of Innisfree, Vegreville, Tofield, Bruderheim, Ponoka, Rochester, Tawatinaw and Bon Accord. Offers are open until June 15.

In the meantime some 646,000 acres were added to exploration reservations taken out by oil companies in Alberta last week.

Bulk of the acreage, nearly 600,000, was made up of six reservations acquired by three companies over a 100-mile stretch near the Mackenzie Highway north of the Peace River Block.

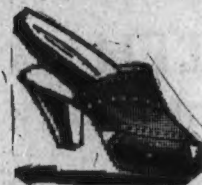
Other reservations were made at Edmonton, Stettler and Wainwright districts.

Seeding Acreage

Canadian farmers will seed 3,000,000 more acres to spring wheat this year than last, making a total of just under 27,000,000 acres seeded to wheat for harvest in 1949. At the same time an increase of over a half-million acres in summerfallow in the Prairie provinces is anticipated, bringing the total summerfallow to 20,600,000 acres. Intended wheat seedings in the Prairie provinces are estimated at 26,000,000 acres, up

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3,000,000 acres from the 1948 level of 23,000,000. Ontario's wheat acreage shows a decline of 16 per cent.

Decreases are looked for in Canada's other major grain crops. Oats are expected to be down four per cent from last year to 10,800,000 acres and barley down seven per cent to 6,000,000. Extremely sharp declines will occur in seedings of rye and flaxseed, the extent of the change from last year in these two crops being 43 per cent and 75 per cent, respectively. The acreage to be seeded to potatoes this year is five per cent below the 1948 level.

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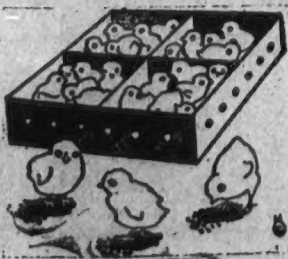
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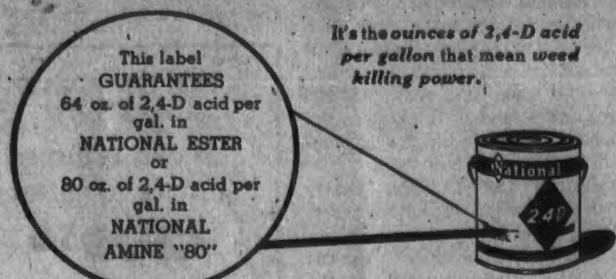
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HOMEBUILDERS PAY MORE FOR U. S. CEMENT

Alberta home builders are paying as much as \$200 more to build their homes because Canadian cement is not available, according to Edmonton's Mayor Harry Ainlay.

Edmonton's mayor has been hot on the tail of the Canada Cement Company (Exshaw) for allegedly shipping badly-needed cement to Eastern Canada instead of to Alberta construction jobs.

As a result, private and civic building projects have had costs increased because they have to use U.S. cement. Cement from Exshaw retails at \$1.15 a sack while U.S. cement sells for \$2.00 to \$2.25 a sack.

A survey published by the Edmonton Journal showed that building supply firms backed the mayor and agreed that few deliveries of Alberta cement had been received for "at least one month."

Dependence on U.S. cement has boosted building costs to an all time high in the city. Sewer, sidewalk, basement, and other construction work has had to slow down or convert to the costlier American brands.

For the present, all the city could do was wait and see. Mayor Ainlay said city fathers were still awaiting word from Senator Jas. A. MacKinnon on their request for an investigation into the cement problem.

PUBLIC NOTICE

By the Board of Trustees of The Wheatland School Division No. 40 of the Province of Alberta.

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient by the Board of Trustees of the Wheatland School Division No. 40, of the Province of Alberta, that the sum of Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.) dollars should be borrowed on the security of the said Division by the issue of Debentures repayable to the bearer in Twenty equal consecutive annual instalments with interest at the rate of not more than six per centum per annum for the following purposes, namely:

Erecting and furnishing a ten-roomed school building with auditorium, frame and stucco, in the Strathmore School District No. 1587,

and erecting and furnishing a six-roomed school building, frame and stucco, in the Beiseker Consolidated School District No. 55.

THEREFORE, notice is hereby given by the Board of the said School Division that unless a poll of the proprietary electors of the said School Division for and against the said debenture loan is demanded as provided by The School Act, the said Board will apply to the Board of Public Utility Commissioners for authority to borrow the said sum by debentures.

Of which all persons interested are hereby notified, and they are required to govern themselves accordingly.

F. A. Campbell,
(Chairman).

Dated at Strathmore, Alberta, this 15th day of June, 1949.
Instructions to Proprietary Electors in A School Division

A poll may be demanded in a School Division by a demand signed by five proprietary electors of each of at least twenty per cent of the districts in the division.

Every demand for a poll must be delivered to the Secretary of the Division or District or, in his absence, to the Chairman of the Board of trustees, within Fifteen days after the date of posting or of the last publication in a newspaper of this notice. A certified copy of the demand must be forwarded forthwith to the Board of Public Utility Commissioners of Alberta at Edmonton.

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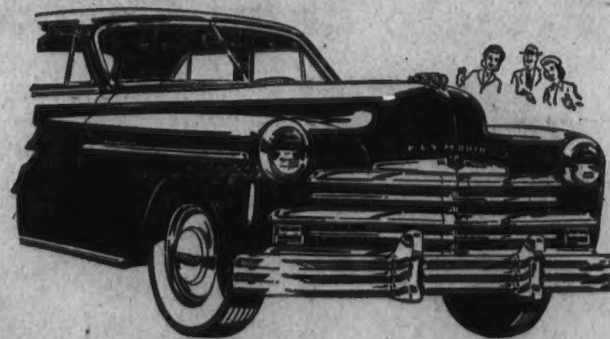
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